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METHOD OF ASSEMBLY OF BUILDING  
PANELS AND METHOD OF MAKING  
BUILDING PANELS

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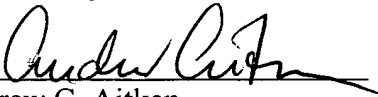
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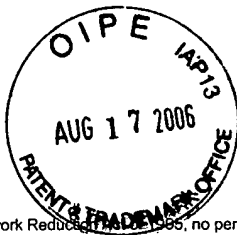
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